

### J.A. Skinner State Park

Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation

## JULY—AUGUST 2023 PROGRAMS



All programs are free and open to the public. **Meet at the indicated location** on the summit of Mount Holyoke. A parking fee applies. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Reasonable accommodations available upon advanced request. **Note:** Storms cancel all outdoor programs. For more information call the park at (413) 586-0350.

#### **MONDAYS**

#### OUR OWN JURASSIC PARK, 10:00-10:30 a.m.

For all ages. Explore the geologic story of the Mount Holyoke Range, formed and shaped by fire and ice! Experience a dinosaur footprint or two. **Meet on the deck of the Summit House.** 

# THURSDAYS & FRIDAYS

#### TREE TREK, 1:00—1:30 p.m.

For ages 6 and up. Join a Park Interpreter for an eye-opening walk about the life-supporting value of trees here on the Mt. Holyoke Range. This is an easy walk around the picnic areas. **Meet on the deck of the Summit House.** 

# FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS

### WHERE'S THE WARBLER?, 10:00-10:30 a.m.

For ages 5 and up. Learn the best place in the park to spot a vibrant Cerulean Warbler or Indigo Bunting. A park interpreter points you in the right direction; and, if you spot one, come back and tell us! Ideal for families and casual bird watchers.

Meet on the deck of the Summit House.

## SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS

### SUMMIT HOUSE TOUR, 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

Best for ages 12 and up. Join a park interpreter-guided tour to enliven your Summit House visit. Hear the story and vision of John and Fanny French. In the 1800s they offered a novel mountain-top vacation here at the Prospect House. Discover how it changed, and later became a state park. 1-hour tour.

Meet inside the Summit House.

# SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS

### TREE TREK, 3:00—3:30 p.m.

For ages 6 and up. Join a Park Interpreter for an eye-opening walk about the life-supporting value of trees here on the Mount Holyoke Range. This is an easy walk around the picnic areas.

Meet on the deck of the Summit House.

#### **SUNDAYS**

### THE MAKING OF A MASTERPIECE, 10:00—10:30 a.m.

For ages 15 and up. Discover the story of Hudson River School artist Thomas Cole and his famous painting, *The Oxbow*. Compare the same iconic view then and now. **Meet on the** 

deck of the Summit House

